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## Sorties by the British

Troops of Beleaguered Garrisons Sally Forth and Attack the Boers.

Pretoria Despatches Report the Loss of 9 Men Killed and 17 Wounded.

Gen. Methuen's Column is Almost in Touch With Kekewich's Force.

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 1.—While the rumors of the relief of Kimberley current on the stock exchange to-day may be premature in their literal sense, there seems no doubt that the pressure of the garrison has been much lightened by General Methuen's successes and the actual relief of the place is likely to be a fact very soon.

A clue to the urgent reasons which led to General Methuen's wonderful march may be found in Governor Milner's hint to the relief committee at Capetown to prepare for the reception of 10,000 refugees, and indicating that the garrison must have had reason to fear the reduction of Kimberley by starvation and disease.

News From Kimberley.

The most recent news from Kimberley comes by way of Pretoria, and almost seems to show that Kimberley and Mafeking are acting in concert with General Methuen, for, at the time the battle was raging at Graspan, both Col. Kekewich and Col. Baden-Powell made sorties and assailed the beleaguers. The result, according to advices from Pretoria, was that Col. Kekewich inflicted considerable loss on the Boers, two shells killing nine and wounding 17 in a group.

Methuen's Northward March.

It is reported that Gen. Methuen has

resumed his northwest course in order to form a junction with the Kimberley forces on Saturday or Sunday.

Boer Movements.

It is suggested in some quarters that the Boers have been withdrawn from the north of Cape Colony, and may be hurrying to attack Methuen's rear, but as reinforcements have been pushed rapidly forward from the Orange River and De Aar, the Boers will be prevented from carrying out any such design.

Sortie From Mafeking.

A special dispatch from Pretoria dated Sunday, says there was another sortie from Mafeking on Saturday. On the morning of that day, the chartered police attacked Eloff's fort with great determination. Fight was progressing when the dispatch was sent.

Preparing For Heavy Fighting.

Several ambulance trains left Mafeking on November 25th for the Free State, where heavy fighting was expected during the coming week, when the Boers, it is added, would resist the advance of the British in the direction of Kimberley.

More Troops.

From Lord Wolseley's announcement that it had been decided to call out one more division, it appears that the war office does not look for a speedy collapse of the Boer resistance.

Situation in Natal.

Reet telegrams from Natal, the general theatre of the war, convey little information about the situation. So far as known the Ladysmith relief force is still at Frere, though the bridge was perhaps sufficiently stable to permit of its passage on November 30th, in which case the opposing forces may already have come in contact near Colenso, where apparently the Boers are strongly entrenched on the north side of the river.

Attempt to Destroy a Bridge.

A special dispatch received here to-day from Frere, dated November 28th, says that while attempting to blow up a five hundred-foot bridge over the river at Colenso, the Boers were driven back by the British artillery and mounted infantry.

McCrum Wants to Leave Pretoria.

Washington, Dec. 1.—United States Consul McCrum at Pretoria is renewing his appeals to the state department to be allowed to leave his post. Mr. H. A. S. United States consul at Lorenzo Marquez, will probably be asked to undertake the important charge.

IN FAVOR OF CHINESE.

(Special to the Times.)

Cumberland, Dec. 1.—The witnesses examined yesterday afternoon in the arbitration cases were James White and Alexander Summerville, both testifying to the efficiency of Chinese and Japs, whom they considered as safe as white men. This forenoon Andrew W. Watson, W. B. Walker, Frank Quercell, Robert Hornell and O. P. Stevens were examined. The second witness did not consider mining a hazardous occupation, and thought Chinese the best class of laborers.

POLITICAL RUMORS.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 1.—The Monde Canadien, a French Conservative weekly, says this week: "We are given an assurance that Mr. Thériault will give up his portfolio at an early date on account of his health. His friends, the enemy, rejoice greatly over the news and are preparing for the election of Mr. Préfontaine, mayor of Montreal, as his successor." La Patrie says: "A Conservative of good authority asserts that if Sir Charles Tupper does not succeed in defeating the free-way government in Manitoba that he will resign the leadership of the Dominion opposition."

## Calixto Assassinated

Leader of the Revolutionists in Mindanao Killed at Tetuan.

Occupation of Zamboanga by United States Bluejackets—Was No Fighting.

(Associated Press.)

Manila, Dec. 1.—The steamer Zelandia from Zamboanga, Island of Mindanao, which arrived here, brings details of the occupation of the town by Commander Very, of the United States gunboat Castine.

The revolutionists in Mindanao were led by Alvarez and Calixto, who left Luzon some time ago and for the last seven months have been stirring up the people and winning a considerable following. The commercial depression and lack of food resulting from the islands' blockade set the people against the revolutionists and culminated in the assassination on November 15th of Calixto, a firebrand and the real leader of revolution, by Midel, mayor of the town of Tetuan.

Midel, under a pretext, secured Calixto's presence in Tetuan, and when Calixto was within a distance of thirty yards from the point where the mayor's guards were stationed, the latter fired a volley, killing Calixto instantly. Midel at once repaired to the Castine and arranged with Commander Very for the occupation of Zamboanga.

Commander Very asked that Datte Mandil, with 500 of his followers stationed on a neighboring island, come to Zamboanga. The following morning Midel raised the American flag over Zamboanga, the insurgents offering no resistance and evacuating the town. The Castine was saluted with 21 guns and Commander Very landed a hundred bluejackets, and took possession of the town and fortifications.

Datte Mandil's men arrived in the afternoon. They were armed with wooden shields and swords, and were used on picket duty.

On the afternoon of Nov. 2nd Midel called a meeting of local chiefs, who formally deposed Alvarez as leader of the revolutionists in the island, and elected Midel as governor, established under American sovereignty and control.

The American Advance.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Gen. Otis's advices to the war department show that the advance into the interior is being vigorously pushed, and that the American troops continue to drive back and disperse the scattered bands encountered. He states that Captain Warwick, 18th infantry, was killed in an engagement at Passi, in Iloilo province, on November 25th.

Gen. Otis's dispatch is as follows: "Mindanao.—Hughes reports from central Panay that in Iloilo province, one-third of the island has been cleared of insurgents by forced marches with two battalions from Labuan, by way of Catiuaan. He engaged the enemy at rasil on the 26th, and drove him, with loss, to the mountains in detached bodies, capturing ten field pieces, two breach loaders, also nine rifles and several thousand rounds of small ammunition. Casualties: Capt. Warwick, 18th infantry, killed. He reports his troops in excellent health. It is expected he will pass on to Capiz, on the northern coast of the island."

"Dispatches from Lawton indicate that Bayombeng, was captured on the 28th. The trails over the mountains are impassable for wheel transportation of any kind. Troops had subsisted on rice and a scant supply of that."

"McArthur's troops had several minor engagements, capturing men and rifles."

"Hill's captures in the mountains include 14 modern guns, all in good condition. Over 50 pieces of artillery have been captured by troops of the corps in the last three weeks."

"The Oregon brought in 106 prisoners from Vigan yesterday. Ninety-six were received by rail the previous evening."

"Young, with three troops of cavalry, and Marche's battalion of the Third infantry, should have reached Vigan yesterday."

"Conditions at Zamboanga are satisfactory. Additional ordnance has been surrendered, consisting of four field pieces, 15 rifles and a quantity of ammunition."

"The Thirty-first infantry leaves Manila this evening to garrison several stations on the Mindanao coast. No difficulties are anticipated."

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Is Almost Completed But Will Not be Read Until Tuesday.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 1.—The cabinet discussed briefly to-day the President's message on which all the finishing touches have been placed, except the portion of the message relating to the Philippines. That section of the message is being held up in the hope that the President may be able to announce the complete collapse of the insurrection before it goes to congress.

The President has decided not to send the message to congress until Tuesday, as the immediate adjournment of the Senate upon the announcement of the death of Vice-President Hobart would preclude its being read on Monday.

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Eloquence.

Whatever may have been the degree of success that has attended any one of the previous thirty-nine annual banquets of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society in Victoria, it will be admitted without hesitation by those who attended the fortieth, held last evening in the Strand Hotel, that such preceding successes were altogether eclipsed. The fact that the soldiers and sailors of the Empire are engaged in the arduous task of fighting the battles of the Empire in South Africa lent a touch of patriotism to the gathering which assisted largely in bringing out the best there was in the assembled company, not only in eloquence, and that was not lacking, but in the sincerity of the reception accorded to every expression of the sentiment of loyalty.

Nor was this all. For the first time in the forty years that have passed since the first banquet of the society was held in the city, strange though it may seem, last evening was the first upon which the members of the society have been honored by the presence at their festive board of the commander-in-chief of Her Majesty's North-Pacific squadron, the admiral of the fleet, and right royally did Admiral Beaumont discharge the duties of his position as a guest, an honored guest, and right royally did the members and friends of the society show their appreciation of the honor he conferred upon them by his presence. If the admiral were not already assured of the best wishes and warm regard of the people of Victoria, last night's experience must have gone far to demonstrate to him that he has established himself as first favorite in the city.

The large banquetting hall of the Strand Hotel was a scene of animation when the company marched in to the strains of the pipes played by Piper Murdoch McDonald. The decorations, although simple, were effective, and the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes entwined over the president's chair, surmounted by the emblem of the patron saint of the society and the banner which has done service for four decades, were the mute evidence of the sentiments dominating the men who gathered together in celebration of the most important day in the calendar of the sons of the heather.

The menu and toast list published in yesterday's Times furnished an idea of the character of the repast and of the subjects upon which the guests would be called upon to express themselves. It is a difficult task to describe fully the manner in which the menu was lived up to and the eloquence with which, in speech, song, story and enthusiasm, the guests told what they thought of the many subjects included in the long toast list.

Of the dinner it is necessary only to say that it was in the best Strand style. There was a reputation of good things; the service, under the able direction of the capable steward, was excellent; and the wines and the "Mountain Dew" frisee "Lochnagar" were appreciated as only such things can be appreciated at a banquet under the auspices of sons of Scotia.

But there were other features which must be mentioned if the banquet be done justice to. And first and foremost, all credit is due to the worthy president of the society, Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, who presided in his own inimitable manner and from beginning to end of a long function kept everyone in the best humor and made all feel, not only at home, but heartily welcome. Unfading patience is a characteristic many chairmen at such gatherings do not possess. It added much to the success of last evening's gathering. The music, too, supplied by the Williams orchestra, was beyond all cavi and to "The Big Four" especial credit should be given for their contributions.

The toast list, as usual, was a long one. A little too long it proved for those who started in with the intention of doing full justice to it, but those who found many excellent speeches and those who did not remain to the last missed much they would have appreciated. Matters controversial were carefully avoided and the keynote of patriotism once struck, as it was from the commencement, everything went with a "click."

Altogether, the society is to be congratulated upon having added another notable success to a long list of triumphs in the matter of entertainment. It was nearly 3 o'clock before the company broke up and although there were at that time but a small number of the original ninety left, those who stayed to the end have the advantage of those who left earlier.

President Helmcken had at his right Rear Admiral Beaumont, commander-in-chief of the North-Pacific squadron; Hon. Senator MacDonald, Thomas

Earle, M.P., His Worship Mayor Redfern and Major Williams. To his left were seated Col. Prior, M.P., Hon. Abraham E. Smith, U. S. consul; Hon. Senator Templeman, Premier C. A. Scrimm, A. E. McPhillips, M.P., and Lieut. Col. Gregory.

The vice chairs were occupied by Vice Presidents E. C. Smith and W. A. Robertson.

As soon as the bounteous fare provided had been done full justice to, the president called upon Secretary Robertson to read the letters and telegrams expressing regret for non-attendance and conveying kind greetings from distinguished friends and members of the society. Among those who regretted unavoidable absence were His Excellency the Governor-General, His Honor the Lieut. Governor, Lieut. Col. Grant, Col. Peters, Sir Henry Crease, Hon. J. S. Helmcken, J. M. Martin, M.P., Rossland; Major Metter, and the president of the Caledonia Society of Vancouver.

The list of guests follows:

Those present were: Rear Admiral L. A. Beaumont, Hon. A. E. Smith, American Consul; Premier Scrimm, Lieut. Col. Prior, Lieut. Pratt Barlow, R. N., Lieut. W. D. Lewis, Mayor Redfern, Senator MacDonald, H. Dallas Helmcken, M.P., Henry W. Ross, Munn, R. J. Kerr, A. Beaz, John Jardine, Andrew Toulmie, H. Copeland, A. E. McPhillips, M.P., E. B. Gregory, A. E. Greenwood, A. H. Wallace, Ad. Hayward, T. R. E. McLane, Dr. Milne, J. G. Morgan, Winnipeg; D. R. Harris, John Irving, Herbert Cuthbert, H. C. Fleckton, W. H. Bond, R. L. Gray, John Leahy, N. P. McDonald, Thos. Russell, J. N. P. Matthews, M. Cameron, E. C. Smith, Andy Sheret, R. T. Williams, Robt. Mitchell, Geo. Bishop, Geo. E. Munro, Jas. Muirhead, Jos. E. Phillips, J. Baker, A. Braden, Dr. Fraser, H. A. Munn, Jas. Paterson, H. M. Graham, Chas. H. Lugin, Frank Gregory, Dr. Stewart, W. A. Jones, A. L. Bell, H. C. H. G. Sheldon-Williams, Wm. Bryce, A. F. Forbes, A. Stewart, F. S. Sherborne, James Lemon, Thos. W. Allan, Geo. Sulder, Jas. Bell, J. M. Finn.

The first toast, the time honored and always (in Victoria) loyally honored one of "The Queen" was received, as became the special circumstance in which she rules the great Empire over which she rules is placed, with more than usual enthusiasm. The president's graceful words were obviously in relations and our cordial feelings towards our kinsmen on the other side of the Atlantic have been constantly growing in intensity and force—(loud cheers)—and, though neither we interfere with the affairs of their continent, nor they interfere with the affairs of ours, we feel that now we can always look for sympathy and fair hearing among those who share with us so vast a mission for the advancement of mankind. (Cheers.)

The toast was heartily honored to the strains of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and when Hon. Abraham E. Smith, U. S. consul, rose to reply the cheering was deafening.

In an eloquent address instinct with loyalty to and hearty sympathy with the people of the Empire as a citizen of the United States, the consul made some particularly happy references, finding words of great encouragement in referring to the warlike conditions in which "the greatest Empire and the greatest Republic the world have ever seen" have found themselves in recent times. The temporary setbacks in the civil war of North and South and in the Philippine campaign had not averted the ultimate conquest by the right, nor would any possible hindrances in the South African

can operations affect more than temporarily the final and inevitable result. Referring briefly to some matters of particular interest to the country he comes from, Mr. Smith said it was true that President McKinley represents the people of the United States, and that the people of the United States are the people of the world.

On Monday next at Washington the party which elected the president will be in a majority in both houses, the first time such a thing has happened in the second term of a president for upwards of thirty years. And it might also be mentioned that they were going to elect a Scotchman for speaker. (Cheers.)

It was a day of national thanksgiving in the United States; the people of Canada had their own weeks ago, but everything came to those who know how to wait. The Americans had waited and as their day of thanksgiving happened on St. Andrew's Day, so much the better for St. Andrew. (Laughter.) Referring to the cordial sympathy existing between the two nations, the speaker in passing mentioned "the pin prick" which may have on the border, as there must inevitably be pin pricks among all large families, but they would not be allowed to interfere for a moment with the continuance of the feeling of unity.

It pleased the speaker to see that the company was favored that evening by the presence of Admiral Beaumont: it was an honor they had not often enjoyed, and he hoped it would be repeated many times. He would like to ask Admiral Beaumont a question, and he reminded him that his worship the mayor a few weeks ago, at the mayor's house, the speaker had referred to the fact that the alliance of Britain and Germany was the guarantee of peace throughout the world. He saw that Hon. Joseph Chamberlain had said the very same thing. Had Admiral Beaumont sent the secretary of state for the colonies a report of the speech he (the consul) had made? (Laughter.)

First Vice-President E. C. Smith set a good example which he expressed tersely in the words "short speeches and long drinks," and in proposing "The Governor-General and the Lieut. Governor of British Columbia," he expressed regret that neither of those the company were called upon to honor were able to be present. He hoped that next year Lord Minto would be able to favor the society with his company, following the example of his predecessor, Lord Aberdeen.

The toast was honored in royal style, and then came what was undoubtedly the toast of the evening, "The Army, Navy and Volunteers." The whole company, surcharged as it was with loyalty, needed little urging up, and the visions had previously any doubt as to the hearty sympathy of those present with the fighting and defensive forces of the Empire, that doubt must have been speedily and entirely removed. Second Vice-President W. A. Robertson rose to heights of genuine eloquence in calling upon the company to honor the toast. He referred to the experiences of those now engaged in the South African campaign, and reminded his hearers that beneath the burning sun or the silent stars men were suffering and dying for the unity and safety of the Empire. And should occasion arise there would be tens of thousands of men from all parts of the Empire ready and willing to do what lay in their power for their Queen and country.

When the audience rose to drink the toast and the hearty cheers burst forth the scene was decidedly inspiring, but when Rear Admiral Beaumont stood up to respond, and the president called for three cheers for that popular and universally respected man, the scene was indeed a stirring one. It took him completely by surprise to find how enthusiastically a gathering of Victorians could give expressions to their desire to honor those to whom they believe honor to be due. The cheering was continued for several minutes, and when silence was restored the Admiral said:

"I cannot tell you how much honored I feel by the way in which you have received the toast of the Army, Navy and Volunteers. Since I have been here I have felt that the navy was among friends, and not only that, but that it had the cordial sympathy of everybody. It is not necessary for me to try and establish the claim of the navy to be a very fine service in an assembly of this kind; you know what it is; but it is pardonable if I ask you to appreciate with me the valuable services the navy has rendered in the Transvaal. It is not their element, it is true, but I ask you if the opportune arrival of Captain Lampton with his guns was not a turning point in the fate of Ladysmith against a host of enemies? (Loud cheers.)

"In addition to that timely arrival and service of the men and guns, I want to call your attention to the fighting capacity of the men at Graspan. Those men, two months ago, were living in the same quiet, peaceful conditions as we, and other men of the navy. I am sure that if ever the match is set to the train which will lead to a war, much larger than this, in any part of the world, you will find our men here will be ready to do their duty and to be an honor and credit to their country. (Prolonged applause.)

"In my capacity as a regular officer of the gentlemen of the military have allowed me to reply to this toast. That reply need be but very short. The army in South Africa answers that. (Cheers.) It is a thing which will be remembered that since the 11th of October 80,000 men have been sent to South Africa, and have been at it 800 miles in the interior.

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ready in his short time in this colony endeared himself to the people of Victoria. (Cheers.) By his kindness and courtesy he had shown that he was not only the Admiral of Her Majesty, but a friend of everyone in the province, and during his stay all would wish to make it pleasant for him, as it was certain he would always be found willing to assist in every way possible with his ships and his men.

Col. Prior regretted the absence of Col. Grant and Col. Peters, and continuing upon the subject of the militia he reminded his hearers that at one time one was almost ashamed to walk through the streets of Victoria in uniform, people used to think the wearers of the uniform were playing at soldiers. It is different today. As to the sending of the South African contingent, the speaker urged the opinion that no one worthy of the name of Canadian would object to bear his share of the cost of the protection afforded them by the army and navy of the Empire. He trusted that at an early date the legislators of British Columbia would introduce legislation looking towards an increase of the quota now paid by Canada for national defense.

Col. Gregory, in a very happy speech, acknowledged on behalf of the militia the hearty manner in which the toast had been honored. It was a source of great gratification to him to know that twenty-six men of his own regiment were on South African soil. He could confirm the statement that years ago the wearers in Victoria of the uniform were held in different esteem to that which prevails to-day. But the volunteers were proving that they are not "frits soldiers" (Cheers.)

Referring to Admiral Beaumont's mention of the timely arrival of the naval brigade at Ladysmith, Col. Gregory was reminded that the day the Canadian contingent arrived in South Africa a telegraph operator was able to walk out of Ladysmith. The naval brigade had Ladysmith. The people to fight; the arrival of the Canadians had allowed some of them to leave that place and send news of their welfare. (Laughter and cheers.)

Major Williams was received with hearty cheering. He remembered that eighteen years ago it was "a rather trying business" to don the uniform and walk past Campbell's corner. He was glad to know it was different now. It was something to be proud of that the army department had allotted to Victoria fifty per cent. more men than to any other city of its size in Canada. We are now called upon to drill and drill 300 rank and file. Halifax, with twice our population, has the same number. On behalf of the militia the major made an appeal to the Scots, famed as business men and employers of labor, to help along the volunteer movement by employing members of the 5th Regiment. There was another thing, Scots are said to be the best soldiers in the world, and there was no good reason why the sons of Scotia should not be good recruits. (Laughter and applause.)

The toast was also responded to by Mr. H. M. Graham and Mr. A. E. McPhillips. There is to-day a crying need of a reformation in the treatment of the body. The basis of this reformation is to be found in the thesis of Dr. R. V. Pierce: "Diseases which originate in the stomach must be cured through the stomach."

In thirty odd years of Dr. Pierce's experience as chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, N.Y., he has treated more than half a million people with a remedy of ninety-eight cures in every hundred. The theory held by Dr. Pierce is that the chief breeding place of disease is abundantly borne out by the success of his treatment, which is addressed primarily to the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition.

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Thomas A. Swarts, of Sub-Station C, Columbia, B.C., writes, "I was sick with severe headache, then cramps in the stomach, and my food would not digest, then kidney and liver trouble, and my back got weak I could scarcely get around. At last I had all these at once, and I gave money to the doctor, but he said I was not doing any good, but the more I doctored the worse I got, until six years passed. I had become so poorly I could only walk in the house. I was in a chair, and I got so thin I had given up to die, when I read in the paper of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I bought a bottle and after I had taken eight I was weighed and found I had gained 27 pounds, and I was healthy to-day and do not feel anything like I did when I could not get Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery too much praise."

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Col. Gregory could not understand why he should be called upon to propose the toast of the "The Senate, the Dominion Parliament and the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia." It occurred to him that it must have been suggested by some of his political opponents. It could not be because of his eligibility for the Senate—he had only been defeated twice. (Laughter.) It could not be because of the Dominion House, and if it was because of the Provincial Legislature, he had been unable to get in and it must be expected he was going to run again. (Laughter and cheers.)

Hon. Senator MacDonald was first called upon to reply, but said he had responded many times to that toast on similar occasions that he was sure the gathering would prefer hearing something from another member of the Senate, and he would therefore ask, his junior colleague, Hon. Senator Templeman, to undertake the task.

This created some laughter, which was relieved when Senator Templeman said his senior colleague had demonstrated at least that he was a politician and an astute one, in that he was able to shift the burden of responsibility upon the shoulders of others less capable of bearing it. The speaker was a very young and inexperienced member of the upper house, and it would be well known that he was not the talking, but the working branch of the parliament of Canada. Mr. Templeman admitted that in his "fellow youth" he might have held views derogatory to the Senate and that he may have thought it was the last refuge of worn-out politicians. He created loud laughter by reminding his hearers that it was the last refuge of some who were defeated in their attempts to enter the lower house, some of them having been defeated three times. But in the course of his short experience he had come to realize that the Senate was a very useful branch of the parliament of Canada, and he did not know if the time would ever come in any constitutionally governed country under the British flag when there would be but one chamber. But his friend, Mr. Earle, who might be looking forward to an election some time next year, would probably have something of interest to say, and the speaker would not detain the audience too long to allow of that gentleman doing so at length.

Mr. Earle did not intend to enter into any controversial matters. He expressed warm thanks on behalf of the House of Commons for the manner in which the toast had been received.

Premier Scrimm was warmly cheered in rising to reply on behalf of the British Columbia legislature. He reminded his hearers that all branches of the legislature of the Dominion are the creations of the people and took pleasure in saying he believed the legislature of this province as at present constituted is as good as any that have preceded it. There was no time for him to enter into controversial questions, not even the subject of the introduction of party lines, he would leave that to be threshed out between himself and his friend Mr. A. E. McPhillips at another time. A touching allusion to John Bright's expression regarding the presence of the Angel of Death, the beating of whose wings might almost be heard, concluded a graceful speech.

Mr. McPhillips also responded. Then came "The Mayor and Corporation of the City of Victoria," proposed by Senator Templeman, who referred to the need of continuing the work of improvement of the city and the consequent need of increasing the amount of revenue at the disposal of the aldermen. The rate of taxation in Victoria was very low. In his experience as a municipal clerk in Eastern Canada he had learned that in most of the Eastern cities the rate on real property is two per cent., while here it is little more than one per cent. It had generally been the case since his residence in the city that people said each succeeding council was the worse they had ever had. He did not think that applied to the present one. It was the duty of every citizen to take an interest in the work of making Victoria as attractive and prosperous as possible.

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"neat." He thanked the proposer of the toast for the kindly reference to the present council and paid a compliment to his colleagues upon the harmonious relations which have existed among the council. He confirmed the statement that the revenue at the disposal of the civic authorities should be increased if the work of permanent improvement be carried on, and quoted figures to show that the calculation made by Senator Templeman of the rate of taxation was correct.

Ald. Hayward also expressed thanks and briefly referred to the good work of the council of this year in the matter of finance, the consolidation of the debt which had effected a saving, and the carrying out of street paving and permanent sidewalk construction on the local improvement plan. He trusted to be able to take part in the work of the council next year.

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The compliment was also acknowledged on behalf of the Times, and Hon. Abraham E. Smith paid a high compliment to the press of Victoria, saying that although he had been in many cities he knew of none where better papers were to be found.

The Bench and Bar was proposed by Hon. A. E. Smith, who made it plain that he was referring to the legal, and not any other bar his hearers might be acquainted with, and Mr. Belyea, Q.C., responded, suggesting that in future the Bench and Bar be included among the learned professions.

Mr. George Sheldon-Williams sang "The Boys of the Old Brigade" with gusto and was warmly applauded.

Sister Societies, proposed by Secretary Russell and acknowledged by Jack Robertson, president of the Pioneers; Chief Kerr, of the Sir William Wallace; Mr. Bull, of the Sons of England, and, in song, by Mr. H. Nugent Short, was the quick in order.

The Big Four were again called upon and Mr. Jack Robertson proposed "our Commercial, Manufacturing and Mining Interests" in a very valuable speech.

Mr. Herbert Cuthbert in reply insisted upon the value of the mining industry of the Island to the people of Victoria. He announced that Mr. Helme, the pioneer developer of the rich Kootenay country, had a representative on the West Coast. The result of that expert's examination of some valuable properties means much to the city.

Mr. Thomas Earle, M.P., also responded, and referring to the development of the West Coast said he was among the first to invest capital there. The hotel erected by himself and others had not been enlarged and the time was not far distant when more accommodation would have to be made. He believed the city was on the eve of a season of prosperity, such as had not been then since 1862.

Lieut. Irwin, of H.M.S. "Landraker," gracefully proposed "The Ladies," apologizing for his shortcomings, if any, by informing his audience that this was the first time he had ever proposed a toast and he had no experience with the ladies.

Messrs. H. A. Munn and E. C. Smith thanked the audience on behalf of the fair sex, and then Miss Host was duly remembered.

The last scene of enthusiasm was created by the proposal of the toast of the worthy president, which was honored with a will, the hall ringing with the plaudits of the enthusiastic company. Ald. Lang Syne and the National Aid were then sung and the company dispersed after as pleasant an evening as has ever been spent under the aus-

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## Attack on Ladysmith

Boers Reported to Have Bom-  
barded White's Position on  
Monday.

Situation at Kimberley and Mafeking—Another Army Division  
For South Africa.

London, Dec. 1.—The only news from the seat of war is a report from Estcourt that firing was heard in the direction of Ladysmith on Monday.

It is semi-officially announced—that Lord Methuen's wound is not serious, and that he is expected to be all right in the course of a few days. It is certain, however, that the wound will prevent his being in the saddle. There is great anxiety to know whether he will be compelled temporarily to abandon the personal direction of affairs.

His next in command is Col. Colville, commanding the Guards Brigade. He has a reputation as an excellent officer. Lord Wolseley's announcement that a new division will be embarked without delay, has been received with the greatest satisfaction. The transports will soon be returning from the Cape and it is hoped that the men will be dispatched speedily.

On this point the Morning Post says: "The sooner we can make up our minds as to the maintenance of the work in hand the sooner it will be accomplished." Lt. Col. Stopford's death ends a most promising career. He was the officer mainly responsible for working out by in-ducting us to believe that the relieving forces are drawing near.

Bombarding Ladysmith.

London, Dec. 1.—The Times publishes the following dispatch from Pretoria, Natal, dated Monday, November 27th. "Ladysmith was heavily bombarded to-day."

News From Kimberley.

Kimberley, Nov. 24. (By way of Klerksfontein, Nov. 24).—There were a few rifle shots early to-day from the direction of Wright's farm, but this was regarded as merely one of the numerous Boer tricks to draw our men out by inducing us to believe that the relieving forces are drawing near.

This afternoon the Boers blew up two large culverts near the rifle butts on the railway line toward Spytfontein. The news of the proximity of the relieving forces greatly cheers the garrison and the inhabitants.

A few Boers were seen to-day, but it is believed the enemy is only in small bands around Kimberley, in lots of fifty or so, the greater part having gone to Spytfontein where firing is believed to have been heard about noon.

From Kaffir sources came a report that there are two large Boer laagers at

Ollifant's Dam, with 150 wagons for water supply. The Boers have cut the existing dam, three miles distant, allowing the water to run down toward their laager into an old dry dam on the farm.

This is believed to be the Free State base of operations on the western border. The official estimate places the number of Boer shells fired during the bombardment of Kimberley at about one thousand, and ours at no fewer than six hundred. As the enemy's shells so frequently hit soft sandy ground the explosive effect is greatly neutralized.

All our wounded are in a very satisfactory condition. An armored train proceeded toward Dronfield to reconnoitre but this immediately aroused the enemy's cordite gun and the train returned after the fifth shell had been fired.

The Boers are firing on the reservoir from Wimbledon.

All Well at Mafeking. London, Nov. 30. (Under the date of Nov. 20th).—Boden-Powell sent the following from Mafeking to the war office through Forester-Walker at Capetown: "All well here. Cronje gone with command and about 20 wagons to Rietvlei, Transvaal, leaving most of his guns with Marco and Lichtenberg contingents, with orders to shell us into submission."

"Bombardment and skirmishing continue with very small results. The enemy's sentries drew us out Saturday by making a show of going away and leaving a big gun apparently in a state of being dismantled. Our scouts found the enemy hidden in the forest, so we sent fire."

The enemy's four-pounder became damaged and has been replaced by another more efficient.

The health of the garrison is good. No casualties to report.

More Troops To Be Sent.

London, Nov. 30.—Speaking in London this evening Lord Wolseley eulogized the conduct of the British troops in South

Africa and confirmed the semi-official announcement that another division of the second army corps would be called out. This division, he said, would soon be on the way to the Cape. He expressed himself as confident that the reserves would respond to the call with the same obedience and pride that had marked the responses to previous calls.

Lord Methuen, it has developed, was slightly wounded at the battle of Modder River by a bullet which inflicted a flesh wound in the thigh.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH.

The Entire British Press Comment on the Colonial Secretary's Deliverance. London, Dec. 1.—Every provincial paper important or unimportant, has a stirring editorial this morning discussing Mr. Chamberlain's speech at Leicestershire. The Radical papers think England ought to continue the policy of withholding herself from entangling alliances, and they attack Mr. Chamberlain hotly for the irritating tone he adopted toward France. They remind the public that it is only a repetition of the "splendid" he made in his speech of May 13th last, when in the same way he incensed Russia. One journal ironically asks whether the foreign secretary still exists or whether the foreign office has merged in the colonial office.

On the other hand, most of the Conservatives and moderate Liberal organs comment upon the speech with great approval, alleging that there never was a time when such an understanding was more essential between nations who are naturally allies for peace and civilization.

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## Looking Backwards

Letter From the Special War Correspondent of the London  
Daily Leader.

Capetown on the Eve of War—  
Some Scenes in the  
City.

Capetown, Oct. 10, 1899.

My first sight of troubled South Africa was truly gloomy. The Norman herbed at daybreak. By sunrise most of us were on deck hungering for news, and working up an appetite for breakfast.

In reply to our anxious inquiries as the great ship came alongside was shouted that stereotyped cry, "Situation unchanged." It seems that I have heard nothing but these words of late. Southampton, Madeira, Capetown—still the same story: "Situation unchanged." Wealthy South Africans who had made the voyage with us breathed more freely as they stood on deck. They had predicted that there would be no war, and so long as the situation was unchanged they were entitled to crow over their prophesying powers against those of us who had darkened the journey with our gloomy forebodings.

The town gives one a curious first impression. The streets are long and wide, and invariably end with a mountain or a sea view. Walk one war, and it looks as if you must flatten yourself against the mountain; walk the other, and it seems you cannot help going overboard. If you look at its buildings, Capetown bears evidence of being a city in transition. Most of the places of business at the corners of streets are new—showing that the site has done well in the past—and they are surrounded with those ornamental towers which look as snobbish in a town as half a dozen top-hats do in a crowd of Trilbys and bowlers.

The prevalence of such addresses as 307 Smith's mansions, and 270a Jones's chambers, shows the trend of the transitory period through which the place must be passing. I should say that in a few years the small tradesmen will be banished to back streets. These are very modest, and would not be unlike those at home were it not that a large colored population is continually moving through them. While the coolies and niggers are at the docks, hundreds of gaudily dressed Indian women and Cape girls flock out of the side streets—generally those that end with the mountain—and gaze in shop windows as brightly decked as they are themselves. Love of color is strong with this exotic crowd.

I am told that it is quite unusual to see Capetown under such conditions as now prevail. It is the first fine day they have had here for weeks, and that has brought people out to talk about it quite as much as the imminence of war. For weather and war are the only themes that men will enlarge upon to-day.

The Shadow of War.

As I wandered amongst the chattering crowd I came upon the advance guard of war. It was not a military troop. Soldiers seem very scarce here. It was simply a throng of sufferers who have felt the scourge even before it has spread itself over the face of the land. All of them have come from the Transvaal. They hang around the railway station and loiter at street corners, as miserable and helpless as men can imagine. They are all robust, sun-tanned, brawny fellows, completely cut off from their labors. They buy newspapers as fast as they come out, which is good for trade, and swear oaths, which seems good for their feelings; but here their active interest in things would appear to cease. Unless they are not home to England or to Germany (for your Transvaal is frequently a good German), I can see in them a source of danger to the tranquility of Capetown should the war drag after it has broken out. Fortunately nearly 2,000 have gone home in the last three steamers.

I am told that these workless miners have been well treated by the groups that gave them employment. In the majority of cases they have received two months' full pay, with a promise of two months' half pay in the event of the mines not being restarted at the end of the first month, and in other cases a full three months' pay has been given.

But the way from Johannesburg to the Cape is long, and the journey is expensive for the man who travels with a wife and small children, even though the hotel-keepers, which are crowded into a common curia portmanteau, a kit bag, or half a dozen colored handkerchiefs, may not be sufficient to lead to a call for excess luggage rates.

The majority seemed to be comfortably well-off artisans, and certainly not more than half a dozen gave a negative answer to the inquiry "Have you money for a bed to-night?" put by the agents of the hotel committee to passengers who looked as though they might be hard up.

But wait till their funds are exhausted. In the meantime they sink off to the lower parts of the town to sleep, and tomorrow they will doubtless join their unhappy companions at the street corners.

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your eyes as directed you can more safely say you see the outline of a lion than that of a horse. Later in the day I saw the mammoth rock from the spot where guides tell you the res-splashed to the lion is most striking, and again half closing my eyes I was invited to see how watchfully it was peeping over its shoulder towards the Transvaal!

Capetown was so excited at the prospect of war that it was no easy matter to hire a cab to drive you through the mile of splendid wharfage that the port possesses, the drivers preferring to gossip upon the situation rather than carry a fare. Their cabs are painted a bright yellow with names on the sides just like pleasure-running boats at an English seaside resort. "Dr. Jim," "Success to the Queen," and "Napoleon" preferred severally to talk war news rather than to earn eightpence, but "St. Visto" showed better sport, and rattled us into town with a delightful disregard of tram rails and even of heavily-laden wagons behind mule teams.

First Impressions of Capetown.

The town gives one a curious first impression. The streets are long and wide, and invariably end with a mountain or a sea view. Walk one war, and it looks as if you must flatten yourself against the mountain; walk the other, and it seems you cannot help going overboard. If you look at its buildings, Capetown bears evidence of being a city in transition. Most of the places of business at the corners of streets are new—showing that the site has done well in the past—and they are surrounded with those ornamental towers which look as snobbish in a town as half a dozen top-hats do in a crowd of Trilbys and bowlers.

The prevalence of such addresses as 307 Smith's mansions, and 270a Jones's chambers, shows the trend of the transitory period through which the place must be passing. I should say that in a few years the small tradesmen will be banished to back streets. These are very modest, and would not be unlike those at home were it not that a large colored population is continually moving through them. While the coolies and niggers are at the docks, hundreds of gaudily dressed Indian women and Cape girls flock out of the side streets—generally those that end with the mountain—and gaze in shop windows as brightly decked as they are themselves. Love of color is strong with this exotic crowd.

I am told that it is quite unusual to see Capetown under such conditions as now prevail. It is the first fine day they have had here for weeks, and that has brought people out to talk about it quite as much as the imminence of war. For weather and war are the only themes that men will enlarge upon to-day.

The Shadow of War.

As I wandered amongst the chattering crowd I came upon the advance guard of war. It was not a military troop. Soldiers seem very scarce here. It was simply a throng of sufferers who have felt the scourge even before it has spread itself over the face of the land. All of them have come from the Transvaal. They hang around the railway station and loiter at street corners, as miserable and helpless as men can imagine. They are all robust, sun-tanned, brawny fellows, completely cut off from their labors. They buy newspapers as fast as they come out, which is good for trade, and swear oaths, which seems good for their feelings; but here their active interest in things would appear to cease. Unless they are not home to England or to Germany (for your Transvaal is frequently a good German), I can see in them a source of danger to the tranquility of Capetown should the war drag after it has broken out. Fortunately nearly 2,000 have gone home in the last three steamers.

I am told that these workless miners have been well treated by the groups that gave them employment. In the majority of cases they have received two months' full pay, with a promise of two months' half pay in the event of the mines not being restarted at the end of the first month, and in other cases a full three months' pay has been given.

But the way from Johannesburg to the Cape is long, and the journey is expensive for the man who travels with a wife and small children, even though the hotel-keepers, which are crowded into a common curia portmanteau, a kit bag, or half a dozen colored handkerchiefs, may not be sufficient to lead to a call for excess luggage rates.

The majority seemed to be comfortably well-off artisans, and certainly not more than half a dozen gave a negative answer to the inquiry "Have you money for a bed to-night?" put by the agents of the hotel committee to passengers who looked as though they might be hard up.

But wait till their funds are exhausted. In the meantime they sink off to the lower parts of the town to sleep, and tomorrow they will doubtless join their unhappy companions at the street corners.

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**WANTED, A LEADER.**

For lack of the one strong man to raise the standard and summon the faithful to stand by, the attempt to resuscitate the Y. M. C. A. movement in Victoria seems likely to fail, at least for the present. So far as we can learn nothing is being done privately to push on the movement and prepare the way for a public appeal. In brief, interest in the Y. M. C. A. among the citizens of Victoria appears to be as dead as Pharaoh.

This is not easy to understand, for the times are good, and the prospects for a continuance of the prosperity in business are not bad. Therefore, with all the wide interest in Christian life and work, which is well known to exist in this city, it is decidedly queer, to put it mildly, to see this utter want of even so much as interest in an institution that has proved its power for good so often and so signally.

The bad influences which the establishment of the Y. M. C. A. here would be largely intended to counteract, are in a very healthy and prosperous condition; there seems to be not the slightest fear of them wasting away for want of support from the more easily led amongst the young men (and boys) or for want of sheer apathy on the part of the good and faithful church people. So long as the average youth is an unmitigated fool and the average church person is a comfortable, easy-going selfish body, who dislikes agitation or combat in any form, so long will it be easy, indeed, pleasant, for the youngsters of this community to go to the devil.

The situation of affairs here to-day is not at all flattering to the religious people of Victoria; it would seem to tell the stranger that there is a lot of sham and hollowness about our religious profession, even why that shut door of the Y. M. C. A.? Why this one-sided competition for the destinies of the young men, with the worst influences tremendously in the lead? Why this utter stagnation amongst the church people; this deafness and blindness to the real and this earnestness and particularity to the vain trivialities that are more useless than broken toys?

We mean the assiduous attention to the tea-fajing parties, the "socials," the fancy notions that devour precious hours and get the mind into a habit of shallow thinking and toleration for the insane, and away from the stern realities of this sternly real life. If half the energy expended in arranging and carrying off the trifling party and the silly social were concentrated upon the opening of the door of the Y. M. C. A., Victoria that door would be opened wide and soon.

Why dawdle through life busy upon those finalities that are, when done, as if nothing had been done, except that the minds that have done them are a little more unbraced than before, a little more unfit for grappling with the hard truths with which the path is strewn—those myriad allurement that beset the way of the young ones in this city? It

is terrible to think that religious Victoria lies lapped in comfortable slumber while so much remains to be done. Every day that passes this makes the more bitter mockery of those fine churches, and lays them and their congregations the more open to the searing suzerainty of the cynic and the pessimist and the man of the world.

Do the people who should be most active in this affair really bug the delusion that not much remains to be done? That it goes very well with the youth of Victoria? Then are they nursing a terrible fiction, simply proving that they know nothing about the conditions that prevail to the undoing of many a fine lad. Perhaps they will repudiate the charge that they are responsible in any way for the welfare or illfare of their younger and humbler brethren; but it is a hard thing to shake off the responsibility that our social system has imposed upon every one of us through the centuries during which that fabric has been a-building. It should not be necessary to tell religious Victoria: "Thou art thy brothers' keeper."

We have done our small part in trying to awaken the responsible persons to a sense of their duty in this matter; we regret that they seem to be utterly oblivious to any appeals, and prefer the ease and comfort of merely professing Christianity to shouldering its burdens and fighting its battles. So be it, but it is sad that a city like this, the beautiful capital of Canada's finest province should have the distinction of being one of the few cities of its size on the American continent that is absolutely without representation in that Grand Army of the Y. M. C. A. Republic which has done so much for the young men of America, spiritually, mentally and physically.

**A TRUE BRITON.**

General Lord Methuen is one of the old brigade in the British service; one of those commanders the British soldier would follow, if necessary, even to the gates of the "devil's dark dominions." His record is second to none amongst the leaders of the British army, and is a story of hard fighting from the start of that remarkable career. He is a man much after the stamp of the commander-in-chief in South Africa; a blunt and daring soldier, but filled with that generous appreciation for a gallant foe that ever marks the true soldier and the man.

He declares boldly his preference for a foe worthy of his steel; "up" in tactics, skilled in strategy and brave in action. He would rather fight such a man than the savage who has nothing to recommend him but his common heritage of bravery. General Methuen spoke there the sentiment of the vast majority of the British soldiers, who, reports to the contrary, appreciate and respect the desperate courage of the Boers, and know that real glory is to be gained in battle with such men.

No names on the colors of the British regiments will deserve higher place than those of "Elandsdrange," "Belmont" and "Modder River," for our troops had to do even better work there than was done to place some of the most famous of the other names on those colors. General Methuen spoke the general thought and opinion with respect to the firing on the flags of truce, the use of dum-dum bullets, and other atrocities in the field, when he attributed them to individual Boers, probably totally ignorant of the usages of modern warfare, and temporarily out of the command of their officers. Certainly it is not possible to believe that General-Commandant Jonker would sanction for an instant such practices.

**ABOUT GENERAL METHUEN'S MOVEMENTS.**

dispatches, descriptions there is a terse, Wellingtonian briskness and vigor that are positively inspiring after the long days of doubt and suspense. If any man has earned the complete respect of the continental critics since this campaign opened that man is the victor of Belmont and Modder, and the probable savior of Kimberley. It is refreshing to read of his hard riding, his demon energy, his relentless pressing on to the goal, his cheery, bulldog tenacity and cool courage that enables him to dictate crisp dispatches from the field of the slain, and quite overlook the little trifle of a personal wound sustained in the fight. No man will meet with a heartier reception when the victors return to England than this modern disciple of the school of fighters, who added Canada, India and other jewels to the British crown, and taught the world to fear and admire the power of Britain on land and sea.

Mr. Lloyd George, M. P., one of the Welsh delegates who recently visited Canada, said to an interviewer lately that the thing that struck him most in his tour was the wretched remuneration paid to the Canadian public officials. It surprised him greatly to find the responsibility and the pay so grotesquely disproportionate. The British official service is conducted on an entirely different basis, and a purer civil service it would be impossible to find. He was sure, at the same time, that no charge of corruption could be laid against Canadian officials, "but under-payment of officials was the high road to corruption." Mr. Lloyd George said that any of the Canadian officials, if they decided to use their undoubted talents in other busi-

nesses would make four or five times as much.

Where did the Boers get those dum-dum bullets? Is the question now agitating the critics of the war. The process by which they are made is a British war office secret. It was reported in the dispatches at the time of the execution of the Boers that the Boers had a great stock of dum-dum bullets, but it was reported that those bullets were destroyed by order of General-Commandant Jonker and President Kruger. It seems clear that they were not all destroyed. The British are not using the dum-dum against the Boers.

There is a man famous at Rossland just now. Men are needed to carry on the work, and a sufficient number cannot be found. It is not often that, and is bound to affect the wage question.

MacGill and Cambridge Universities are to be affiliated. A decision to that effect was reached at Cambridge a few days ago.

**ISLANDS' MAIL SERVICE.**

To the Editor:—My attention has been drawn to a report which lately appeared in the Times of a public meeting held at Mayne Island to protest against the new mail service among the Gulf Islands, and, as the resolutions alleged by said report to have been carried, are not only grossly misleading but also, and more importantly, in the interests of fair play a reply is imperatively necessary.

Last spring a petition to the Postmaster-General was circulated among the islands describing the present mail service as being "very unsatisfactory," "desultory and unreliable," and "making the request that a new arrangement be made, and connection given with Victoria via Sidney." A majority of the voters of all the islands, and of each individual island, signed the petition. The request was granted, the contract let for the service, and, although the arrangements seem not to be altogether ideal, as nothing earthly is, still there is no doubt that the new service will in the main be a vast improvement on the old, as from geographical conditions alone it ought to be. But now comes a meeting of opponents of the new service, about twenty strong (the petition for the new service was signed by 153), declaring that "we, the settlers," etc., of such and such islands are going to be "robbed of our long-expected rights," "that the present service (ye gods!) is a daily one" it is semi-weekly, semi-weekly, semi-weekly, and sometimes it doesn't even turn up weekly, that it is "inefficient" and "unsatisfactory," when ten months ago a clear majority of the settlers (including some of the present kippers) signed the petition which called the same service "desultory and unreliable."

In reading the report of "one of the largest and most important meetings" ever held on these islands, one involuntarily and irresistibly thinks of the Tories' tactics, who, with due solemnity, resolved that "we, the people of England," etc., etc. There can be no objection, Mr. Editor, to the opponents of the new mail service speaking for themselves, setting forth how, in their view, it will affect them, and suggesting any alteration in the arrangements which they might consider an improvement, but being a small minority, they have no authority to speak for the people of the islands in general, who are delighted at the prospect of the change.

It is not my wish, Mr. Editor, to reflect unnecessarily on any individual or corporation, or the employees of any corporation, or even to seek for ulterior motives where they may be ever so easily found, and, if, later on, I am compelled, in the interests of truth and fair-play, to expose the real animus actuating some of the fomenters of this "tempest in a teapot," they will have themselves to blame.

**ALEXANDER HAMILTON.**

**A PROSPECTING WAGON.**

The announced prospecting wagon on wheels to ramble round the country turning out gold bricks as it rolled through the mining camps has not materialized. The latest in that line comes from a New York establishment which is building miners' prospecting wagons, "constructed so as to possess strength, and all machinery carefully shielded, so that underbrush, etc., will not interfere in any way with its operation. The idea of these prospecting wagons is to provide a miniature mining camp complete, which can be transported at the rate of two miles and a half to four miles an hour. A small ore crusher is mounted upon the truck, so that it can be connected directly with the motor, and an assay furnace is also provided to test the gold-bearing ore as it may be found. The seat in front can be turned down to provide a bunk for two persons, and while one man drives the wagon his companion can busy himself making assays of the ore they are prospecting, and, if successful, ample food supplies can be carried, and with one of these wagons a trip of two or three weeks can be made by prospectors." Such a "miniature mining camp" would doubtless be provocative of hilarity among real miners and might thus be of value in contributing to the gaiety of the passing hour. It is believed, however, that the result of the work of the "companion" who "busied himself making assays of the findings," would not be of sufficient accuracy to justify serious mention.—Mining and Scientific Press.

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**LORD WOLSELEY ON THE WAR**

The Commander-in-Chief on the Question at Issue—The Boer Character—Army Reform.

Lord Wolseley, speaking on Nov. 6th at a banquet in London, said: I think that all people who know anything about the army should rejoice extremely that our first experiment in mobilization has been so successful as it has been. Your chairman has mentioned the name of one, a most intimate friend of mine—the present Military Secretary. I think the nation is very much indebted to him, not only for the manner in which this mobilization has been carried out, but still more for having laid that foundation on which our military system is based and for making those proposals which led to its complete success. There are many other names I might mention others who have devoted themselves for many years past in a very quiet manner and with all the ability which now, I am glad to say, so largely permeates the army—have devoted themselves to making these preparations and to the trying and testing this curious army of ours up to the level of the modern armies of the world.

**The Opposition to Army Reform.**

Although I say it myself, I think I may claim for myself and for those who have worked with me a certain need of praise, for we have worked under extreme difficulties—not only under ordinary difficulties in dealing with a very complicated arrangement, but we have had to work in the face of the upstirred opposition on the part of a great number of people who ought to have been the first to have helped us. The chairman has referred to the opposition of the press, but that has been nothing to the opposition we have met with in our own profession—the profession of the 19, 15, or 20 years ago—when the great reforms were begun in the army by the ablest War Secretary who has ever been in office, I mean Lord Cardwell. His name is now almost forgotten by the present generation, and also the names of many other distinguished officers in their day, whose names were associated with many of the brightest moments of English history and English conquest, and who set their faces bravely against alteration, and firmly believed that the young men of those days were a set of madmen and a set of radicals who were anxious to overturn not only the British army, but the whole British constitution with it. This was the prejudice spread into high places, until at last we were looked upon as a lot of faddists who ought to be banished to the furthest part of our dominions. But I am glad to say that the tree which we planted then took root, and gradually grew up around us a body of young officers, men highly instructed in their profession, who supported us, carried us through, and enabled us to arrive at the perfection at which I think we have now arrived.

**Military Education.**

There has been abroad in the army for a great many years past a most earnest desire on the part of a large section certainly to make themselves worthy of the army and worthy of the nation by whom they were paid and for whose good they existed. That feeling has become more intense every year, and at the present moment, if you examine the Army List, you will find that almost all the Staff officers recently gone out to South Africa have been educated at the Staff College established to teach the higher science of our profession and to educate a body of men who will be able to conduct the military affairs of the country when it comes to their turn to do so. These men are now arriving at the top of the tree, thank God, while many of those magnificent old soldiers under whom I was brought up have disappeared from the face of the earth; and others who are to be seen in the clubs have come round—they have been converted in their last moments—they have the frankness to tell you that they have made a mistake. They recognize that they were wrong and that we were right.

**The Boer Character.**

I quote endorse what the chairman says about the success of the mobilization, and I will slightly glance at the state of affairs as they exist at present in South Africa. I have the advantage of having spent some time in South Africa and of having been not only general commanding, but Governor and High Commissioner, with high-sounding titles given me by Her Majesty. I know, consequently, not only a little of the Boer character, but a good deal of the Boer character. During my stay as Governor of the Transvaal I had many opportunities of knowing people whom you have recently seen mentioned as the principal leaders in this war against us. There are many traits in their character for which I have the greatest possible admiration. They are a very strongly conservative people—I do not mean in a political sense at all; they were, I found, anxious to preserve and conserve all that was best in the institutions and ideas handed down to them from their forefathers. But of all the ignorant people in the world that I have ever been brought in contact with I will back the Boers of South Africa as the most ignorant. At the same time, they are an honest people. When the last President of the Transvaal handed over the government to us—and I may say within parentheses that the last thing an Englishman would do under the circumstances would be to look in the till—there were only four shillings and sixpence to the credit of the Republic. Within a few weeks or days of the hoisting of the British flag in the Transvaal a bill for £4 10s. had come against the Boer government, and was dishonored.

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their faces against us, and things have gone on from bad to worse until the aspiration now moving them is that they should rule, not only the Transvaal, but that they should rule the whole of South Africa, that is a point which, I think, the English people must keep before them. There is no question about ruling the Transvaal or the Orange-Free State; the one great question that has to be fought out between the Dutch in South Africa and the English people is whether it is to be the predominant power—whether it is to be the Boer Republic or the English-Monarchy. Well, if I at all understand and know the people of this nation I can see but one end to it, and it will be the end that we hope for and have looked for.

**War Not a Game of Chess.**

But I would warn every man who takes an interest in this subject not to imagine that war can ever be carried on like a game of chess or some other game in which the most powerful intellect wins from the very first. War is a game of ups and downs; and you may rest assured that it is impossible to read in history of any campaign that has ever been a march of triumph from beginning to end. Therefore, if at the present moment we are suffering from disappointments, believe me, those disappointments in many ways are useful to us. We have found that the enemy who declared war against us—for they are the aggressors—are much more powerful and numerous than we anticipated. But, at the same time, believe me, that anything that may have taken place lately to dishearten the English people has had a good effect. It has brought us as a nation closer together, the English-speaking people of the world have put their feet down, and intend to carry this thing through, no matter what may be the consequences.

**The British Officer and Soldier.**

I have the greatest possible confidence in British soldiers. I have lived in their midst many years of my life, and I am quite certain of this—that wherever their officers lead they will follow. If you look over the lists of our casualties lately you will find that the British officer has led them well. Certainly he has not spared himself; he has not been in the background. He has suffered, unfortunately, and expects to suffer, and ought to suffer; and I hope most sincerely and truly, whatever may be in store for us, whatever battles there may be in this war, that when we read the list of casualties there will be a very large proportion of officers suffering as well as men. It would be most unworthy of our army and of our nation if our officers did not lead, and if they lead they must suffer as well as those who follow. I am extremely obliged to you for the compliment that has been paid to me. It has been a very great pleasure for me to come here. I thank you sincerely for having listened to me, and hope you will make every allowance for any defect in a speech which certainly had not been prepared.—London Times.

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LUMP COAL, NUT COAL, SACK COAL, SLACK COAL. Telephone 604. Main Holland & Co., Truncheon and Broad street.  
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**SOCIETIES.**

VICTORIA COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, meets 4th Thursday in every month at Masonic Temple street, at 7.30 p.m. B. S. ODDY, Secretary.  
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**I. O. O. F.**

The officers and members of Victoria Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F., and the officers and brethren of sister lodges are requested to assemble at Oddfellows' Hall, Douglas street, on Sunday, Dec. 2nd, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, Frederick Williams. By order of the Noble Grand, FREDERICK DAVEY, Secretary.

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**School of Physical Culture.**

Mrs. D. R. Harris has commenced her classes in the St. William Wallace Hall, Broad street. Classes for children on Saturdays at 2 p.m., beginning December 2nd. Private classes for ladies and gentlemen by arrangement. For terms, apply to 42 Superior street. Cultivation of the GIBST a specialty. 60th degree member, club number 9651960.

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### WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

(Victoria, Dec. 1—5 a.m.)—The barometer has risen again along the Washington coast and over this province; and an interval of fairer weather may be expected, with local frosts at night; heavy rainfall has occurred on the Fraser river delta and the adjoining straits. In the Canadian Northwest the weather remains clear and cold, with snow falling at Prince Albert.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Saturday.  
Victoria and development—Southwest and west winds, partly fair, with occasional showers.  
Lower Mainland—Southwesterly winds, partly cloudy, with occasional showers.

Report.  
Victoria—Barometer, 29.08; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, 8 miles S. W.; rain, 1.00; weather, fair.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.00; temperature, 36; minimum, 36; wind, calm; rain, 1.00; weather, fair.

Nanaimo—Wind, light; weather, clear.  
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.34; temperature, 34; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.76; temperature, 26; minimum, 24; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Nash, Wash.—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 44; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles W.; rain, .02; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 46; minimum, 40; wind, 14 miles N. W.; rain, .02; weather, rain.

Tacoma—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, 46; minimum, 46; wind, 14 miles S. W.; rain, 2.20; weather, rain.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, 50; minimum, 50; wind, 8 miles N.; weather, clear.

## CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Extracts.

—Owen A. Smith's Concert Co. Dec. 11.

—One drunk was before the police magistrate this morning and was fined \$5.

—Superfuous hair and all facial blemishes removed by Electrolysis. Electric Parlor, 214 Yates street.

—Don't you often hear it said that advertising is a fine art? You require the truth neatly and plainly put. When you hear that "HONDI" Ceylon Tea is the best and purest on the market you have it.

—It has been decided by the committee in charge of the popular Saturday evening concert in Temperance Hall not to hold a concert to-morrow evening on account of the patriotic concert to be given in the Drill Hall in aid of the Masonic House fund.

—The fire department was called out at an early hour this morning, the alarm being from Store street, where a defective fuse caused a blaze in the Light-house saloon. From the character of the buildings adjoining the saloon a serious fire might have resulted had not the brigade responded promptly to the call. About \$25 covers the loss.

—The manager of the Home for the Aged and Infirm acknowledges with thanks receipt of the following donations made to the Home during the month of November, viz: Mrs. Erb, Mrs. Quaglin, Mr. T. Sheehy, Mr. C. E. Jones, Mr. N. Shakespear, Mr. Geo. Marsden, Messrs. T. N. Hibben & Co., St. Andrew's Evangelical Young People's Association, rooming parties, Mrs. D. Stephens, Mrs. A. Brechtel, Judith Hamilton, clothing; Mrs. McInnes, pears; Mrs. Wey, apples; and Mrs. Pemberton, pears and reading matter.

—There were 79 cases before the police magistrate during the past month, in 59 of which convictions were made. Two of the cases were of a provincial character. The remaining 77 were divided as follows: Possession of intoxicants, 4; drunk, 3; assault, 4; supplying intoxicants, 2; lodging, 4; infraction of the Revenue By-law, 5; stealing, 6; vagrancy, 8; and keeping, 2; and one each of the following, threatening language, attempting to supply an intoxicant, supplying under prohibited hours, infraction of Sewer Connection By-law, infraction of Street By-law, malicious injury to property, and entering of stolen property, breaking and entering, necessary witness, keeping bawdy house and unsound mind.

History.—A talented lady of Victoria has a recent essay most appropriately dedicated to "looking backward that we may intelligently look forward." There is a world of meaning in that definition for business men, and if any person will study the history of life insurance in Canada for the last thirty years he will arrive at the certain conclusion that The Ontario Mutual Life has accomplished for its policy holders the greatest advantages and yielded the best returns on their investments of any institution of the kind during that period of time. Let those who are thinking of insurance take a careful look at the record of The Ontario Mutual Life and they will be inspired with the greatest confidence as to what this grand old company will do for its policy holders in the future.

No time should be lost in consulting R. L. Drury, Provincial Manager, or S. W. Bodley, special agent, as after the close of the new year the policies of The Ontario Mutual cannot be secured on such favorable terms as they can now.

—GLASGOW BEEF HAM at Jameson's, 35 Port street.  
—Mr. and Mrs. Kosche have removed the hair store to 55 Douglas street, near Port.

—Holiday presentation books, Christmas cards, etc., at John's, Douglas street.

—A social dance was held by the members of Victoria Lodge, K. of P., in Castle Hall last evening.

—Have you seen the \$1 per dozen Printed Cups and Saucers at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street?

—Lord Mayor's Dining Room, Padding Moulds, Padding Bowls and Jelly Moulds, all sizes, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

—The hearing of the case of Tagg vs. Victoria, Yukon Trading Co. will be commenced before a judge and special jury on Monday.

—We don't give trading stamps, but we give the full value for the money and twenty per cent. discount on all fall and winter millinery. Stevens & Jenkins, 84 Douglas street.

—The Victoria Rugby Football Club have requested the Times to thank their friends who donated the supper at their hall and to the Victoria Cafe Co., Hiram Walker, Pither & Lister, E. A. Morris and others for special gifts.

—The total receipts at the Victoria customs house for the month just closed were \$84,125.06. In duties at Victoria \$68,437.26 was collected, and \$112,236.95 at Lake Bennett. Other revenues collected here amounted to \$4,461.45.

—The fire department were unusually lucky during the month, which closed yesterday, there being only two calls upon their services. One was for a fire across the Bay, at which the loss was trifling, and the other a blaze at the corner of Government street and Tremaine alley.

—The employees in Messrs. John Piercy & Co.'s manufactory yesterday presented Mr. I. V. St. George Williams, who has been the superintendent of the establishment for some two years, with a gold headed walking stick and a suitably worded address. The occasion was called forth this expression of esteem by the severance by Mr. Williams of his connection with the firm. He has accepted a position as factory superintendent with Messrs. McKay Smith & Co., of Vancouver.

—Allan Cameron, A.G.F.A. of the C. P.R., has arranged a business man's excursion to the interior of the province in which representatives of Vancouver and Victoria wholesale houses will take part, leaving Vancouver on Tuesday next. The special object of the trip is to visit the district opened up by the line to Greenwood. The party will arrive in Rossland on Wednesday, thence to Greenwood, all through the Boundary country, where three days will be spent, and Vancouver will be reached on the return trip just one week from the date of commencement.

—Sealing men, they who are going to ship Indian crews, are out after the seaweeds, each vessel with the other to lead the hunters to the shipping office. Several hunters are expected to arrive by the steamer Queen City, now due from the coast. A number of the captains had intended going up the coast within the coming week, but they will because of a letter which has been received from Billy, chief of the Ahonsett Indians. Billy, in a letter ungrammatical and somewhat misspelled, says under the caption of "notice to sealing captains" that it is useless for the sealing men to go to the coast, for none of a big party to be held this month at Ahonsett in Esperanza Inlet, lasting until after Christmas. In the meantime though, much work is being done to put the schooners in readiness, both Turpin's and the Victoria Marine ways being kept busy.

—There will be a carnival of con song, rag-time, ballad, cake walks and buck dancing, blended with operatic melodies, at the Victoria Theatre on Tuesday. The great negro show, known as the Black Patti Troubadours, will occupy the stage of that theatre for that night. The popular success of this band of chary entertainers has been truly remarkable. New York, Boston, Washington, Chicago and San Francisco have given it the highest mark of approval, and society in particular in every locality where the company has appeared has not only been generous in its patronage, but has dignified one of its most enjoyable stage features—"cake walk"—by introducing or imitating it at social functions. Sisteretta Jones, the famous Black Patti, is the stellar attraction. With her are associated some of the score performers whose reputations are second only to that of the accomplished Afro-American prima donna.

—Sergeant John Langley, of the Provincial police, returned by the steamer Chatter last night from a trip to Reed, Camp and Thurlow islands, etc., in search of those infringing the law by the unlawful selling of liquor. He started a week ago to visit the different logging and mining camps to investigate the many complaints that had been made, that many hotels and stores were selling liquor without licenses. At Reed island he arrested Joseph L. Merrier who had been selling liquor at his store and hotel without the necessary authority. Merrier was taken to Camp Island on Monday last where he was tried before Mr. Marshall, J. P., of Thurlow island. He was convicted and fined \$150.

—After being sentenced he was taken to Vancouver on the steamer Comox by Sergeant Langley and the officers of the Province were enriched to the extent of \$153. At Texada he found things very lively, that is from a mining point of view. Van Anda was booming. At Thurlow things were quiet. The Dorothy mine across from the island which employs a number of men had shut down. The miners were however looking forward to being busy shortly, for it was stated that the Douglas Pine mine would open up by next March and times will then be good again on the island.

## Sale Still On

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ALL EVIDENCE IN.

E. & N. Right-of-way Arbitration—Finding Will Be Made Known At Once.

The arbitrators engaged in arriving at the value of the 6.91 acres of land in the E. & N. right-of-way on the Indian reserve completed the taking of evidence this morning in the Board of Trade rooms and formally adjourned. At their first session they decided that the latest date at which their finding shall be made known should be February 1st, 1900, and this morning, after adjournment, informed a Times reporter that the award will be made known at once.

The counsel engaged in the case were present, and there were also several spectators.

Mr. A. W. Jones, the first witness, had been carrying on business as a real estate agent in Victoria fifteen years. In 1892 he was familiar with the price of property in and around the city. He made a valuation of the land in the right-of-way in that year and the valuation was made with some care, after consultation with other men in his business, and after he had been over the land. He believed that to be a correct estimate of the value at that time.

Mr. Davis produced the written valuation, but Mr. Bodwell objected to it being put in evidence. A discussion followed upon the point, and the arbitrators finally decided that the report should be put in.

Mr. Davis read the report which was dated November 15th, 1892, and that the valuation of 5 acres of the 15-acre tract was \$4,000 an acre, the remaining 10 acres \$3,000 an acre. The 6.91 acres were valued at \$3,000 an acre, the total being \$70,720.

Witness said there was a "boom" at that time, and people were running after agents to buy property.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lutton, witness said he believed the best of the reserve, away from waterfront, was worth \$3,000 an acre in 1892, and the 6.91 acres in the right-of-way was worth as much as any of the best. If the swamp were taken separately it might not be worth so much, but taking it altogether, the 15 acres would be worth what he had stated. He valued it knowing the presence of the Indians, and for such purposes as Store street is used for. It was only natural to suppose there would be business on that side of the water. The witness tapered off shortly after this. Witness was asked whether, in view of what he now knew, he did not consider it altogether a too high valuation. He said in reply that could he have known what would happen he might have valued it somewhat less highly. On the other hand, if things had turned out as they promised at that time, his valuation might have been too low. He had in his mind the idea of the land being cut up into lots and that a bridge would be made from there to the city.

Mr. Lutton pressed witness to state the value of the land in 1886 or 1887, but Mr. Jones was unable to answer, not having any knowledge of the value of land at that time. He was in the office and his partner, Mr. Crossdale, was doing the business. It would be impossible to form an estimate of the value in 1886 or 1887, without overlooking the "boom" period. It would be just as useful to ask him a critical law question as to ask him that. It is as good as anything like so much now. Even if the railway were not there the land could not be sold now.

In reply to Mr. Davis, witness said his valuation in 1892 was based on the supposition that the Indians would be removed from the whole of the reserve. He knew the government was negotiating for another site for them at that time.

The umpire asked if witness estimated the value of the land on the basis of productiveness, and Major Jones said he did not. The value of the land for residential purposes would depend upon the value of the residences.

Mr. Richards asked if the presence of the Indians would have a depreciative effect upon the property for residential purposes, and the witness said he presumed so; some people might like Indians around them, he didn't.

Then the discussion turned upon the existence of an Indian graveyard, the witness admitted might be a detriment to the average man, although some might prefer it.

In answer to Mr. Riley, witness said he had made two valuations of the Indian reserve. The last one was about \$2,200 an acre. It took him three days. His remuneration was not dependent upon the valuation, he had a fee.

Mr. Davis said that as the question had been brought up it might be as well to state that the fee charged in both cases was \$100, and vouchers for those amounts were shown.

Mr. Dennis B. Harris, recalled by Mr. Davis, said part of section 32 was also purchased by him for the right-of-way. That was about 500 feet west of the portion mentioned yesterday. He bought from three different persons; from one, 30-100ths of an acre cleared for \$1,102.50. That was acre property. He bought 28-100ths of an acre for \$500. That was not cleared.

In answer to Mr. Bodwell, witness said he was buying generally from the holders of lots, and he considered the objection of the railroad in paying the price. The circumstances were taken into consideration, and one of the circum-

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stances would be the avoidance of the trouble of going to arbitration.

This being all the evidence Mr. Bodwell suggested that the better plan would be for the arbitrators to fix the value of the land in 1886 or 1887.

1892. Mr. Davis agreed this would be a good plan. The government claimed that the date should be November, 1891, when the plan and book of reference was filed. There might possibly be a difference between the fall of 1891 and 1892, and the arbitrators might fix the value of the three dates, if they thought the value did change between the two last mentioned dates.

Mr. Davis also suggested that in their finding the arbitrators should state whether they based it upon the fact of the Indians being there. He claimed the property should not be depreciated by their presence, as the government could remove them at any time, and also interest at 6 per cent. is claimed from the date decided upon; and the question of damages should also be considered.

Mr. Plender, civil engineer of the E. & N. railway, gave evidence by consent for the purpose of verifying a profile map of the railway on the land in question, and the board rose.

The concert given last evening in the Institute Hall under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. in aid of the R. C. Boys' Orphanage, was one of the most enjoyable of the season. All those who took part received hearty welcomes and most of them had to respond to insistent recalls. The "Big Four" absented themselves awhile from the St. Andrew's Day banquet to favor the audience with a selection, and Mr. Frank Leroy was cheered to the echo for his rendering of "She Was Bred in Old Kentucky." The Misses McNiffe, Miss Russell, Mr. Leonard, Mr. H. Birch, Miss E. Leonard and Mr. W. J. Cave also achieved success, while Mr. B. Bant's violin selections were very much appreciated. Perhaps the event of the evening was the cake walk by "two troubadours all the way from Dahomey." The accompanists were Mrs. Lombard and Messrs. Burnett and Bant.

Daniel Mitchell of Mount Tolmie, who was in the employ of Dr. Tolmie, was found dead this morning at Bray's stables, where he had been attending a sick horse during the night. He had evidently come to sleep, and when found by Messrs. Sketch, Caldwell and McBride this morning, life was extinct. The deceased was a native of Cornwall, Eng., and about 45 years of age. He came to this city some years ago from Buffalo and has ever since been in Dr. Tolmie's employ. An inquest will be held to-morrow at 10 a.m. in Hanna's undertaking parlors, where the funeral will take place in the afternoon.

The Globe, of Toronto, announces that Mr. Jesse Caldwell, M. P., under Secretary of State for Home Affairs, is to deliver a series of lectures on Canada in his constituency, Birmingham, shortly. Mr. Collings gathered much valuable information on his recent visit to the Dominion, and also secured some very beautiful photographs which have been made use of for stereopticon views.

The Salvation Army Food and Shelter has been taken charge of by Adjutant and Mrs. Dodd, of Spokane, and a formal welcome will be tendered to them to-night. The home will be opened next week, when the Industrial wood yard will be put in operation. Captain Le Drew, who is associated with Staff-Captain Galt in Winnipeg, will arrive here to assist in the Victoria work.

The many friends of Mr. William McDonald of this city will be surprised to learn of his death this morning at the Jubilee Hospital. He was a pioneer, coming here in 1850. He leaves one sister, Mrs. Jas. Bennett of this city, and his late brother Donald's family in North Saanich, where his funeral is to take place on Sunday afternoon.

The inland revenue returns for the month of November are as follows: Spirits, \$8,080.80; malt, \$1,363.24; tobacco, \$1,002.63; raw leaf tobacco, \$340.80; cigars, \$752.12; other receipts, \$17; total, \$12,737.57.

At the meeting of the W.C.T.U. yesterday it was reported that a very encouraging start has been made in the formation of a library, literature for 20 different departments of work having already been ordered.

The J. B. A. A. basketball team defeated the Seattle Y. M. C. A. team in Seattle yesterday, by 14 to 8. Burns and Finlaison are said to have been the "stars" of the match.

The Boys' Brigade of James Bay have reported St. James Hall until such time as they can secure a hall of their own. The brigade will meet at the hall this evening.

Mr. W. A. Lawson was the winner in the whist tournament at the J. B. A. rooms last evening, securing eight out of ten games. Mr. Skene Lowe took the "booby."

The weekly meeting of the Boys' Brotherhood Club was held last evening. A parliamentary debate will be held at the next meeting on Thursday.

THOUSANDS OF CANADIANS can vouch for the efficacy of that cough remedy, PAIN-EXPELLER. It cures a cold, very quickly. 25c. of all druggists. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

## SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.  
Steamer Annar of the C. P. N. Co. has been advertised to sail for Cape Nome on May 1st. The steamer is now lying at her wharf in the inner harbor, where she is being thoroughly overhauled and refitted. New passenger accommodation, both saloon and stowage, is being put in, new deck houses are being built and the steamer is being generally changed and remodelled. A ladies' sitting room and a smoking room are being made, and in fact the steamer is being refitted from stem to stern, and fitted especially for this service. Many applications have already been received for passage and freight accommodation, and from the present offerings it is safe to say that the steamer will be well filled before the date of sailing.

There was an interesting time on the steam freighter Finlay as she was going up the Fraser with malle from the Van Anda mines on Tuesday. She struck a floating snag near the head of Annals Island, which snags, penetrated the hull below the water line, and could not be pulled out until the steamer reached the C. P. N. wharf at West Westminster. The lurch of water caused a mild panic among the crew, but the application of blankets, tarpaulins, etc., stopped the leak until the cargo was discharged and the necessary repairs could be made.

An effort is being made at San Francisco to induce the United States government to send out the revenue cutter to the relief of the overland sailing fleet. It is feared that on many of the missing vessels the crew will be short of food for provision is never made on the coasters for such long passages as they are making.

The total whale catch in the Arctic and Okotse seas for 1899 amounted to 6,433 barrels of oil, 303,880 pounds of bone and 6,478 pounds of ivory, as compared with 7,608 barrels of oil, 230,763 pounds of bone and 11,025 pounds of ivory for 1898.

Steamer Warrimoo arrived at the outer wharf about 4 p.m. from Honolulu, Brisbane and Sydney. She was about 30 hours late, having been delayed no doubt by the scarcity of wharf accommodation at Honolulu and the stormy weather prevailing of late on the coast.

Mr. C. R. Brown, who has been for some time steward of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company's steamer Transier, on the Westminster-Steverson route, has been transferred to the steamer Chatter.

Tug Car on her last trip to Comox from Vancouver made the round trip in the record time of 23 hours. She was towing the coke laden barge Transfer.

Steamer Queen City is late in arriving from the coast. She is now a day behind time. The stormy weather has without doubt delayed her.

Steam barge Lapping is making regular trips, twice a week, between Victoria and Fraser river points, and Captain Foote is working up quite a trade.

British ship Creedmore, Capt. Kennedy, has left Manila for the Royal Road.

Steamer Willapa will sail to-night for Nias and northern British Columbia ports.

Steamer Chatter left Vancouver at 1:30 p.m. She connected with the train.

AN EXPERT OPINION.  
"My ideas," said the young man, haughtily, "are at least twenty years ahead of the times."

"Great mistake," said the railroad man, gravely: "great mistake. The way to avoid collisions in this life is to run strictly according to schedule."—Washington Star.

THE IMPUDENCE OF GENIUS.  
Mrs. Parvau—I don't think the picture looks like me at all.

The Artist—Perhaps not. But it is an exact representation of the way you would look if you had been rich all your life, and is what you want, is it not?—Chicago Tribune.

Too many giddy, foolish hours are gone. —Rowe.

A Snap For Big Heads.

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### Provincial News.

#### ROSSLAND.

The fractured kneecap of Mr. W. I. Wilson, the superintendent of the Le Roi, was successfully reduced on Tuesday. At first it was thought that there was not enough silver wire in town for use in the operation and it was feared that it would be necessary to send to Spokane for a supply. The physicians, however, made shift with the small quantity on hand. The fractured bone was wired together and the operation was declared to be most successful.

#### SANDON.

Business is improving greatly at Sandon, merchants and commercial men alike testifying to this fact. On Saturday night one merchant took in \$200 in cash after 8 o'clock. Pack trains are going daily to the mines, taking up winter supplies. Even those properties popularly supposed to be shut down are laying in their season's stock.

The Lardeau-Duncan railway has let contracts for the building of a round-house and station at Argenta and the work has commenced. It is also said a contract has been let for the building of a wharf.

#### PHOENIX.

Black Jack is a thing of the past in Phoenix.

Word is expected any day from the government agent, appointing a date and place for holding an election for three fire wardens in Phoenix.

Thieves are about. The other night the ladder of the Hotel Phoenix suffered to the extent of 50 pounds of plump young chickens.

Phoenix now has three justices of the peace, viz., D. J. Matheson, Wm. Delahay and W. R. Williams. The next thing is the appointment of a resident constable, which is needed and is now being arranged for.

#### GRAND FORKS.

Nearly 300 men are employed in the construction of the Granby smelter, which will be in operation about March 1, 1900. The reduction works represent an investment of \$300,000. From the dam across the Kettle river to the superintendent's residence, a distance of fully one mile, there are everywhere gangs of workmen, puffing engines, piles of lumber, loaded teams, and everything that makes a busy and inspiring spectacle of industrial thrift and activity. The construction of the dam is itself a big undertaking. Owing to recent protracted rains the water has been higher than usual this fall, and consequently work has been somewhat hindered and delayed. But the dam is now more than half way across the river and the worst of the work is over.

#### NELSON.

Both furnaces at the Hall Mines smelter at Nelson are in blast. The 100-ton furnace is now running on lead ore, and the big one is to be blown in within a day or two on Silver King ore.

A special meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of considering what action should be taken with respect to the petition for the repair of the city wharf. The proceedings of the meeting showed that everything was in readiness for the submission of a by-law to provide funds for the desired work, and the motion of Alderman Fletcher for the introduction of a by-law to raise \$5,000 for the work by debentures was not opposed by any member of the council. The by-law recited that \$5,000 worth of 4½ per cent. debentures should be offered for sale, repayable in 30 years. It was put through its several stages and received its third

### Carpenters' Kidneys.

Carpentering is not an easy trade. The constant bending up and down, the lifting and stooping over are all severe strains on the kidneys. No wonder a carpenter exclaimed, recently, that every time he drove a nail it seemed as though he was piercing his own back. He used

**Doan's Kidney Pills** now on the first sign of backache and is able to follow his trade with comfort and profit.

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reading. It was decided to take the vote of the ratepayers upon it on Monday, December 11th.

Mayor Manley, of Grand Forks, accompanied by his wife and little daughter, arrived in the city on Tuesday evening. "We expect to smelt the Republic ores on this side of the line," said Mr. Manley. "I am interested with a company who will ask the next parliament to grant a charter for a railroad which will secure this desideratum."

#### NEW WESTMINSTER.

The man, Jack Behan, alias Charles Martin, alias James Bain, who stole an overcoat from the Depot hotel, was convicted of the offence before the police magistrate on Wednesday morning, and sentenced to six months in the chain-gang. Advantages were taken of the occasion to bring home another charge. During a visit to one of the disreputable resorts in the swamp he cut and tore up a quantity of feminine wearing apparel, and then made off with a pair of gloves. On this latter count he was also convicted and given an additional six months.

Mr. W. H. Keary, exhibition commissioner, has announced that he has definitely decided to offer himself as a candidate for the mayoralty at the forthcoming elections. His Worship Mayor Owens some time ago announced that he would try for a third term. There was a persistent rumor that one of the aldermen would be asked to run, but whether this will be done will not probably be known for a day or two.

The silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pakes was duly celebrated on Monday evening at their residence, corner Victoria and McKeen streets. A meeting of the board of directors of the Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society of British Columbia was held last week. Mr. Keary, who explained his absence through illness and stating briefly what had been done already for next year's exhibition. Mr. Keary stated he had been promised a \$500 subscription for a specific purpose, and a certain company had also promised to give \$500, with a proviso. Mr. Keary also said he had written to the secretaries of all the agricultural societies in the province, suggesting a conference of secretaries to discuss matters of mutual interest and benefit in connection with the society's exhibition. The secretary submitted a financial statement for the year, showing a deficit of over \$2,300. Some discussion followed, ending in the appointment of the following committee to examine and report upon the whole question of the society's finances: Messrs. G. D. Bryman, T. J. Trapp, C. G. Major, W. J. Mathers, R. F. Anderson and A. Malins.

#### VANCOUVER.

Sergeant Langley of the provincial police arrived down from Reed Island on Wednesday night with a prisoner who will come up for trial for selling liquor to Indians and others without a license. Ald. Skinner has returned from a trip to Lillooet, where he has been for a week looking after some mining property. He says that the district is looking very well, and he thinks that this season will be a good one for the development of various properties. He brought down some fine specimens of ore.

United States Consul Colonel L. Edwin Dudley arrived on Wednesday from a trip to Republic, Wash., and Kamloops. He has been investigating the case of Martin Everett, who is alleged to have been kidnapped from Republic and taken to the Canadian side without a trial. Colonel Dudley has a long report on the matter to make to Washington.

Mrs. C. S. Douglas, who was injured by being knocked down by a horse and rig on Cambie street on Tuesday afternoon, is doing well, and is suffering from effects from the head fall except the result of a general shaking-up. She did not wish to appear on Wednesday against the Japanese drivers of the rig which ran into her. On the evidence of Police Officer Baynes they were convicted of furious driving, and were required to contribute \$5 apiece to the civic treasury. The magistrate said that horses were habitually driven too fast around the corner of Cambie and Cordova streets.

A meeting of carpenters was held on Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of considering matters of interest to the industry of the Fraser River. Various plans were "spelled over." One of these suggested that combination be formed, and the alternative was that a pool of the various interests be made for the mutual benefit. In the latter case a committee of carpenters would be the final body of reference in all cases of dispute, while the combination proposal would give greater freedom for individual action and business to the carpenter. A committee was appointed to further consider the matter and formulate a definite proposition.

Half-a-dozen prominent people of Cariboo arrived in the city on Wednesday, among them Senator Campbell and P. H. Preston, who have just come down from Quesnelt. The other four Cariboo people were Mr. W. H. Clarke, well-known in Vancouver as a former foreman at the Hastings mill, and Messrs. W. G. Wolfe, P. J. McDonald and N. Martin. They say that the trip down was the worst experience they ever had in the territory. The rains carried away some parts of embankments and the excessive down-pour made the roads almost impassable. The roads were terribly heavy and the weather made the whole trip exceedingly disagreeable. When they were 13 miles out of Ashcroft, the climax of their difficulties took place. One of the horses dropped dead

in the traces and the other three could scarcely haul the wagon. A good part of that last 13 miles had to be made on foot over roads where the horses were frequently up to their bellies in mud. However, they managed to get through without further accident.

Ald. Skinner has presented to the park board a plan for a mountain road. "Omni-Travel" is the name given to the road, which is to be built from the city to the mountains. It was purchased by Alderman Skinner during his recent trip through the district.

There was a large attendance of Native Sons of British Columbia on Wednesday night at the first installation of officers of the lodge here. The following officers of the Victoria lodge officiated at the installation: J. D. Holmbeck, past chief; J. S. Yates, chief factor; Frank Higgins, 1st vice-factor; L. H. Houlby, 2nd vice-factor; T. Fox, chief guide; T. Watson, scout; F. Turgoose, chief artificer; W. C. Morley, manipulator.

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#### GEN. BULLER AND A BRAVE BOER.

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## Wanted-- A Chief.

Police Commissioners Will Receive Applications For the Position Until Dec. 23rd.

Officer Clayards Reprimanded--  
Close of Investigation by the Board.

The final act in the long investigation which, commencing with a prosecution against the Lacoste woman, has proceeded until it has involved the dismissal of one officer and the resignation of another--in fact the two highest officers in the police force--was practically concluded this morning when the commission accepted the resignation of Chief Sheppard and reprimanded Officer Clayards.

The resignation of the chief came after a conference with the members of the board, in which it is understood he was practically asked to hand in his resignation. Whether the chief will receive a bonus of several months' salary as was done in the case of Chief Bloomfield is to be undecided, although he has served for almost twice as long as head of the department. Applications will be received up to December 23rd for the position, which Chief Sheppard vacates on December 31st.

The meeting this morning was to all intents and purposes held in secret, the press being admitted at the conclusion of the proceedings, when the matters decided upon received formal and official assent.

The first matter taken up was in connection with Officer Clayards, when the following was handed down as the official finding in the matter:

The commissioners having carefully considered Constable Clayards' reply to the commissioners' request for an explanation of his conduct, and the evidence given at the investigation subsequently held before the commissioners, into the constable's behavior in connection with the Julia Lacoste case, find as follows:

That the constable's evident anxiety to shield the woman whom he knew to be a prostitute--and who was without doubt, in the minds of the commissioners, engaged in an illegal traffic--whether such action on the part of the constable was or was not, in any measure the result of pique or jealousy, or any other ulterior influence, is to be condemned, as tending to defeat the ends of justice.

There is reason to believe that discord existed between the officers interested in this case. Such condition, however, would not provide justification on the part of either for acting in the manner as would tend to defeat the ends of justice.

There were other and proper ways of righting such wrongs, and which must have been within the constable's knowledge.

The commissioners adjudge Constable Clayards guilty of serious misconduct and irregular action, but taking into consideration the good work hitherto performed by this officer, together with the uniformly good report of the chief of police, the commissioners think that the requirements of justice will be met by a reprimand, which is hereby administered.

The commissioners would further state that Constable Clayards' duty, when he became aware of ex-Sergeant Walker's intemperance was to have reported the same officially in writing to the chief of police.

That he knew that it was his duty to report to the chief is evident from the following statement in his letter, "etc." "When asked why I did not report him to the chief, I replied that it would do no good."

His complaint to the commissioners that the chief was aware of Walker's habits, without having first officially notified the chief of his own knowledge of the fact, is a serious departure from the discipline that should exist in the police force, and one which must be condemned, as if permitted, it would be subversive of all discipline and of the chief's authority.

The commissioners would further express a hope that any and all differences which may arise between officers in the future, of such a nature as to impair their usefulness, by blinding them in the full and free execution of their duty, may be promptly laid before the proper officer in the manner prescribed.

Upon the following was submitted as the result in reference to the charge against the chief:

Re Constable Clayards' charge. The evidence given in this case shows, by the admission of the chief himself, in addition to that of other witnesses, that the chief was fully aware of ex-Sergeant Walker's intemperance, and that it was his duty to have reported it to the police commissioners, in order that they might have dealt with the case.

In view of the fact that Chief Sheppard has since placed his resignation in the hands of the commissioners, to take effect December 31st, 1899, they deem it unnecessary to proceed further.

The mayor then read a communication from Chief Sheppard in which he formally tendered his resignation as chief of police, the same to take effect on December 31st. No reasons or explanations were offered, and the resignation was unanimously accepted.

It was then moved by Commissioner McKicking, seconded by Commissioner Brydon, and resolved: "That the chief of police, Henry W. Sheppard, having resigned his post as head of the police department, the police commissioners would recommend to the municipal council of the city of Victoria that in consideration of his long and useful services, extending over 23 years, he be appointed a Chinook interpreter to the police court at a salary to be fixed by the municipal council."

It was then decided to advertise in both the Times and Colonist to the effect that applications for the position of chief of police will be received by the

commissioners up to Tuesday, December 26th, applicants to state their age, height and experience, and to enclose photographs and testimonials. The salary to be \$100 a month.

The remainder of the business consisted of the consideration of the resignation of Commissioner McKicking that the regulations of the police department should be revised.

### PRESS COMMENTS.

On Mr. Joseph Chamberlain's Speech at Leicester.

(Associated Press.) Paris, Dec. 1.--Some of the newspapers attach considerable importance to the utterance of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain at Leicester yesterday, and consider that they show that Emperor William's visit to England was partially political. The majority, however, characterize certain parts of Mr. Chamberlain's declaration as empty threats, and regard the suggestion of an alliance between Great Britain, Germany and the United States as simply eccentric.

The Matin observes: "Mr. Chamberlain alludes to the alliance as an accomplished fact and as being his work, and seizes on the opportunity to address threats to France, which leave us as unmoved as does the famous prospect of a new triple alliance."

London Opinions. London, Dec. 1.--With few exceptions the afternoon newspapers dissent from Mr. Chamberlain's Anglo-Saxon-Toutonic speech at Leicester.

The Pall Mall Gazette lays stress on the strong anti-German prejudice in Great Britain, and declares bluntly that Mr. Chamberlain had better have kept silent.

The Westminster Gazette takes the same line, holding that Mr. Chamberlain did not represent the opinion of the government, and pointing out how offensive the speech was towards France.

The Evening Standard says: "Mr. Chamberlain referred to an alliance by treaty."

The St. James Gazette says: "Mr. Chamberlain expresses the opinion that the British public has come to realize that with Germany and the United States we can work, because with these powers we have a community of interest and sentiment, whereas with Russia and France we have not."

RUMORS OF MARRIAGE. Reported an Alliance Has Been Arranged Between Royal Houses.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 1.--A Berlin cable says after the return of the Kaiser to Berlin a report was spread that Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands was to be married to the Crown Prince William of Germany.

The report says German diplomats are already speculating on the vast political importance of such a match. It would probably mean the adding of another country, small, yet of powerful influence in the European body politic, to the great German empire. If the Netherlands became a part of Germany it would result in naval advantages such as no other country could boast of on the European continent.

### INTERVIEWS--MINISTERS.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 1.--Mr. H. Bostock, who is here, had an interview to-day with Hon. J. I. Tarte about the building of a telegraph line from Quebec to Attin. Mr. Bostock also saw Hon. W. Patterson regarding the salaries of customs officials in his district. The minister has promised to look carefully into the matter. The member for Carleton interviewed the deputy postmaster-general in respect to increased postal facilities for his constituency, and he also met the minister of agriculture, Mr. Bostock, leaving to-night for Toronto, but will return here before going West.

### MONTREAL MINING MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 1.--Stock exchange, morning board--War Eagle, 282, 277; Payne, 110 1/2; 110; Montreal and London, 41, 39 1/2; Republic, 114, 113 1/2; Soudan, 2,000 at 111; Montreal and London, 650 at 40; Republic, 500 at 114 1/2, 1500 at 114.

### TACOMA LEDGER CHANGES HANDS.

(Associated Press.)

Tacoma, Dec. 1.--The morning Ledger will change ownership on January 1st, being sold to a syndicate. J. L. Lord, president of the Capital National Bank of Washington, Wash., is one of the principal purchasers.

"He laughs best who laughs last." If you take Hood's Sarsaparilla you may laugh first, last and all the time, for it will make you well.

### DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

(Associated Press.)

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 1.--June W. Gayle, of Owen County, was nominated for congress by the seventh district Democratic convention on the 6th ballot. Mr. Gayle is a business man.

### MONTREAL'S POSTMASTER.

(Associated Press.)

Ottawa, Dec. 1.--It is understood that an order-in-council was passed yesterday appointing Mr. C. Beausoleil, M. P. for Berthier, to be postmaster of Montreal.

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### OVERDUE BRITISH STEAMER.

Liverpool, Dec. 1.--Considerable anxiety is felt here in regard to the safety of the British steamer Mermaid, which left Quebec on Oct. 25th for Belfast.

Men are not altered by their circumstances, but as they give them opportunity of exerting what they are in themselves, and a powerful down is a tyrant in the most dignified form in which he can possibly appear.--Steele.

EVERY DRUGGIST in the land sells Pain-Killer. The best remedy for sprains and bruises. The best remedy for cramps and colic. Avoid substitutes. There's but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. 25c and 50c.

### AGAINST THE CITY.

Full Court Decides in Favor of Mrs. Gordon, a Police Bridge.

The Full Court this morning handed down its decision in the case of Mrs. Gordon, a Police Bridge. The decision was in favor of the corporation of the city of Victoria, one of the suits arising out of the Police Bridge disaster. It will be remembered that this judgment was reserved until the appeals in Patterson and Lang were decided by the Privy Council. On the 9th day of June last a joint judgment in the two appeal cases was delivered.

Their lordships say: "The facts on which the plaintiff relied in these cases, as disclosing negligence in the corporation, were somewhat different from the facts relied on here."

The main ground relied on as disclosing negligence was the boring of a structure of the bridge which the jury found to be one of the chief causes which destroyed the stability of the structure and caused the accident.

Here the jury found that the accident was caused by the breaking of a hanger and the corporation were aware of the bad condition of the bridge, and had attempted repairs, but the repairs were inefficient and not done well.

If the case was sent back for a new trial, with the evidence that can now be obtained, and on which the other cases were tried, the result must inevitably be a judgment against the corporation, with greatly enhanced costs.

The main question which was decided by the Privy Council was that the corporation was responsible for the state of the bridge, and for the condition to which the bridge was reduced by the negligence of the corporation.

We think that under the circumstances judgment should be entered for the plaintiff for the amount found by the jury. We are more impressed with the necessity of settling back the case for a new trial, which would inevitably result in a verdict for the plaintiff than by any doubt that the chief of justice was wrong in his ruling.

Judgment will therefore be entered for the plaintiff with costs in the court below. With regard to costs of appeal, we think there should be no costs.

In the first instance \$10,000 was awarded by the jury to Mrs. Gordon for the loss of her husband, formerly Bradstreet's agent, and this verdict was reversed by a judgment of the late Chief Justice Duff. The city appealed to the full court with the result now stated.

### TELEGRAPHIC TICKETS.

(Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Dec. 1.--About eight hundred upholsterers went on strike to-day, closing 23 mills and throwing out of employment nearly three thousand hands.

Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 1.--L. A. Root committed suicide to-day by swallowing carbolic acid.

Washington, Dec. 1.--The British and German ambassadors had several conferences with Secretary Hay to-day relative to the treaty for the partition of Samoa.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 1.--President Hill of the Great Northern, known to be a heavy stockholder of Baltimore and Ohio stock, places little credence in the report that the Pennsylvania road had secured control of the Baltimore and Ohio.

Rottterdam, Dec. 1.--The Holland-American line steamer Statendam, which went aground at Massadia yesterday, has been towed off after having partly discharged her cargo.

### MONTREAL NOTES.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 1.--The detective department has declared war on needle-stitch machines operating in the city. Warrants have been issued for 22 persons having these machines in position. The action of the city authorities in prosecuting two saloon-keepers named Menard and Gohiers for having music in their establishments, and who were fined \$10 each, from which they appealed, was upheld by Justice Doherty in the Superior court this morning.

The new Victoria Bridge, or re-constructed old structure, was formally opened for pedestrian and vehicle traffic this morning. A toll is levied on all traffic from five cents up to seventy-five cents, according to the nature of the traffic.

### VICE-PRESIDENT'S WILL.

(Associated Press.)

Paterson, N.J., Dec. 1.--The will of the late Vice-President Hobart was filed for probate to-day. The value of the estate is not given, but is understood to be \$2,500,000. Of the estate the widow receives \$1,000,000 and a half of the remainder after a number of bequests are paid. His son, Garret Hobart, Jr., inherits the other half when he attains his majority.

### TORONTO'S FIRE CHIEF.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, Dec. 1.--John Thompson, assistant fire chief, who has been connected with the department for the last 25 years, has been appointed chief in the place of Graham. It will be remembered that a few weeks ago an attempt was being made to have Col. Oger appointed to the position, but this movement fell through.



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## No "Suppression" of Dispatches

THE TIMES does not "suppress" any war dispatches from the Associated Press. It publishes all the news it receives, and being an Evening Paper it gets the War News FIRST. It follows that the people of Victoria must read THE TIMES if they want to get ALL the news from South Africa. People who think telegraphic dispatches should be "suppressed" do not take a paper for news. THE TIMES is 75 cents per month, delivered in the city.

### WILL HANNA RESIGN?

(Associated Press.)

Cleveland, Dec. 1.--Concerning the reports which have been in circulation for several weeks past to the effect that Senator Hanna would not succeed himself as chairman of the National Republican committee, it can be stated on the authority of Hanna's most intimate friends, that he has no desire to manage another campaign, and that, unless very strong pressure is brought to bear upon him, he will in all probability decline to do so.

Notwithstanding the published statements that many of the leading Republicans throughout the country are opposed to Hanna's reappointment as chairman of the national committee, it is known he is almost daily receiving from influential party leaders representing practically all sections of the country, letters to the effect that he had their fullest consideration and support, and urging that he is the strongest available man for the place.

Hanna's closest friends and members of his own family believe, however, that the condition of his health is such that he should not, under any circumstances, assume the responsibility of managing another presidential campaign.

### A STRANGE BANKING CUSTOM.

(Associated Press.)

"There are very strong objections," says the Manchester Courier, "to the agreement which certain of the leading banks require the members of their staff to sign with reference to their disposal of their services if they should leave the bank. A man is required to enter into a pledge that he will not, within two years of leaving the bank, be engaged as manager or clerk in any other bank within a radius of 10 miles. If he does, he is to pay the bank \$10,000 as liquidated damages, without prejudice to the bank's right to adopt other measures in the matter. In plain English, a man who may be unreasonably discharged by the bank, or who chooses to leave its service, is to be prevented for two years from getting his living in the way in which he has always been accustomed to get it."

We recognize to the full the increasing competition among the banks and the many difficulties with which they have to contend. But until they pay their men decent salaries for the work they do they have no right, legal or moral, to make the preposterous demands laid down in such an agreement as this. Naturally, most of the men sign it. If they did not, they would probably win a radius of 10 miles. All have a month's notice on the spot. All see some organization among bank employees with a view to resisting such utterly unreasonable and unfair demands."

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### Sporting News.

(Associated Press.)

By to-night's steamer the Victoria Hockey Club journey to Vancouver to cross sticks for the first time this year with their old opponents across the Gulf. The game is to be played at Brockton Point grounds to-morrow afternoon. Both teams have been practicing hard, and there is no doubt that the game will be fast from start to finish. The home team is represented by the following: L. S. York, T. B. Tye, P. A. Fletcher (captain), C. Maclean, T. P. Patton, A. R. Robertson, R. Jaggars, J. A. R. House, R. H. Swinerton, A. Maclean and A. S. Gore.

### YACHTING.

(Associated Press.)

London, Nov. 30.--Speaking at the annual dinner of the Temple Yacht Club in the Hotel Cecil this evening, Sir Thomas Lipton referred in gracious terms to his recent visit to the United States. "I can see no room for discouragement," said Sir Thomas, "and unless some one challenges, I shall certainly do so myself very soon. All I can say is that we had a fair and square race and got fair and square dealings."

### ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

(Associated Press.)

At Esplanade to-morrow afternoon the above teams will play a friendly game of Association football. The players are requested to take the 2:10 car from Government street. The following will do battle for the Columbias: Goal, McKenken; backs, Marshall and Nesbitt; half-backs, Burns, Turner and Dalby; forwards, Berkley, Fell, Netherby, Wilson and Lawson.

### PASSENGERS.

(Associated Press.)

Per steamer Charming from Vancouver--P. R. Parker, C. A. Munro, Max Leiser, Sol Oppenheimer, W. A. Penbody, H. Tixley, Mr. Justice Drake, J. J. Russell, Mrs. Fisher, F. Turgoose, J. S. Yates, Frank Higgins, W. C. Moersby, G. F. Fox, T. Watson, E. H. Henley, Dr. Helmsken, G. W. Brewster, J. K. Chastell, A. Dodds, Mrs. Munro, Mrs. Goffrey, Miss S. McAlmon, H. Ash, Miss Collette, Mrs. Stewart, A. H. Walters, Capt. Baker, Dr. Cook, W. H. Dowling, W. Taylor, Phil Garhart, Mrs. P. Hicks, Mrs. Forbes, W. Thynne, W. Gilham, J. L. McHains, L. Thompson, P. H. Smith, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. F. Bowser, Mrs. Oden, J. Smith, J. McKinley, M. G. Purcell, Kate E. Whitaker, Rev. J. P. Hicks, Mrs. Tappen Adney, Sapper Murthy, Secret Landier.

### CONSIGNEES.

(Associated Press.)

Per steamer Charming from Vancouver--Times Ptg. & Pub. Co., M. R. Smith & Co., F. McQuade & Son, D. E. Campbell, Parsons Prod. Co., H. B. Co., Chong Hing, F. R. Stewart, Dom-Exp. Co.

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LOST--A ladies long gold chain, with pearls strung in same. Reward will be paid. Apply to Times office.

LOST--Between Fort and Chatham streets, silk umbrella cover. Reward if left at Times office.

WAITRESSES WANTED, immediately, at Dawson hotel.

WANTED--Girl to assist in light house work and care of two children. Apply Mrs. J. Fred Hume, "Maplecroft," Dallas road.

COMMERCIAL COURSE--Evening class will be formed early in January in book-keeping, including commercial arithmetic, commercial correspondence, etc. Arrangements can be made for private instruction in this or other branches. For terms, etc., apply to Dr. S. D. Pope, personally or by letter, at 119 Government street, or 74 Kingston street.